

Littleton, NH

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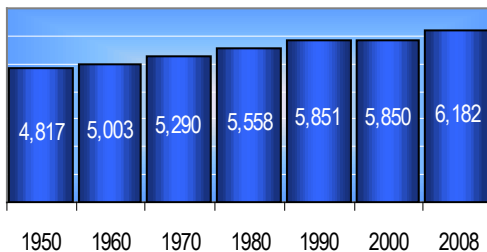
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Grafton County District 1

Incorporated: 1784

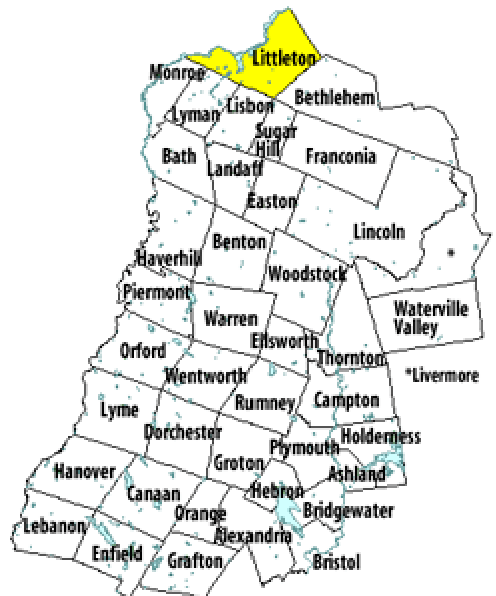
Origin: This town was part of the 1764 charter called Chiswick, which included territory in Lisbon, Littleton, Dalton, and Sugar Hill. In 1770, a charter was issued under the name Apthorp to Colonel Moses Little and others who had purchased a portion of the Chiswick grant from the original grantees. The name Apthorp was in honor of George Apthorp, head of one of the wealthiest mercantile establishments in Boston. In 1784, Apthorp was separated into two towns, one being incorporated as Dalton, and the other as Littleton. The name Littleton was selected in honor of Colonel Moses Little, who had held the post of Surveyor of the King's Woods under Governor Wentworth.

Villages and Place Names: Apthorp, North Littleton

Population, Year of the First Census Taken: 96 residents in 1790



Population Trends: Population change for Littleton totaled 1,033 over 50 years, from 4,817 in 1950 to 5,850 in 2000. The largest decennial percent change was a six percent increase between 1960 and 1970; between 1990 and 2000, the population did not change. The 2008 Census estimate for Littleton was 6,182 residents, which ranked 56th among New Hampshire's incorporated cities and towns.



Grafton County

Population Density and Land Area, 2008 (NH Office of Energy & Planning): 123.6 persons per square mile of land area. Littleton contains 50.0 square miles of land area and 4.0 square miles of inland water area.

MUNICIPAL SERVICES

Type of Government	Selectmen
Budget: Municipal Appropriations, 2008	\$5,398,036
Budget: School Appropriations, 2008	\$8,901,551
Zoning Ordinance	1970/04
Master Plan	2004
Capital Improvement Plan	Pending
Industrial Plans Reviewed By	Staff

Boards and Commissions

Elected:	Selectmen; Library
Appointed:	Planning; Conservation; Zoning

Public Library **Littleton Public****EMERGENCY SERVICES**

Police Department	Full-time
Fire Department	Full-time
Town Fire Insurance Rating	5/9
Emergency Medical Service	Municipal & private
Nearest Hospital(s)	Distance Staffed Beds
Littleton Regional, Littleton	Local 25

UTILITIES

Electric Supplier	Littleton Water & Light; NH Electric Coop
Natural Gas Supplier	None
Water Supplier	Littleton Water & Light
Sanitation	Municipal
Municipal Wastewater Treatment Plant	Yes
Solid Waste Disposal	
Curbside Trash Pickup	none
Pay-As-You-Throw Program	Yes
Recycling Program	Mandatory
Telephone Company	Fairpoint
Cellular Telephone Access	Yes
Cable Television Access	Yes
Public Access Television Station	Yes
High Speed Internet Service:	Business Yes
	Residential Yes

PROPERTY TAXES (NH Dept. of Revenue Administration)

2008 Total Tax Rate (per \$1000 of value)	\$21.80
2008 Equalization Ratio	88.4
2008 Full Value Tax Rate (per \$1000 of value)	\$24.98
2008 Percent of Local Assessed Valuation by Property Type	
Residential Land and Buildings	43.5%
Commercial Land and Buildings	22.1%
Public Utilities, Current Use, and Other	34.4%

HOUSING SUPPLY (NH Office of Energy and Planning)

2008 Total Housing Units	3,067
2008 Single-Family Units	1,675
Residential Permits, Net Change of Units	7
2008 Multi-Family Units	1,050
Residential Permits, Net Change of Units	0
2008 Manufactured Housing Units	342

DEMOGRAPHICS

(US Census Bureau)

Total Population	Community	County
2008	6,182	85,921
2000	5,850	81,826
1990	5,851	74,998
1980	5,558	65,806
1970	5,290	54,914

Census 2000 Demographics

Population by Gender		
Male	2,765	Female 3,080

Population by Age Group

Under age 5	333
Age 5 to 19	1,225
Age 20 to 34	992
Age 35 to 54	1,832
Age 55 to 64	619
Age 65 and over	844
Median Age	39.2 years

Educational Attainment, population 25 years and over

High school graduate or higher	83.1%
Bachelor's degree or higher	22.5%

ANNUAL INCOME, 1999

(US Census Bureau)

Per capita income	\$18,803
Median 4-person family income	\$49,915
Median household income	\$35,887
Median Earnings, full-time, year-round workers	
Male	\$29,081
Female	\$21,335
Families below the poverty level	8.6%

LABOR FORCE

(NHES – ELMI)

Annual Average	1998	2008
Civilian labor force	3,526	3,413
Employed	3,429	3,293
Unemployed	97	120
Unemployment rate	2.8%	3.5%

EMPLOYMENT & WAGES

(NHES – ELMI)

Annual Average Covered Employment	1998	2008
Goods Producing Industries		
Average Employment	1,367	768
Average Weekly Wage	\$520	\$717
Service Providing Industries		
Average Employment	2,785	3,468
Average Weekly Wage	\$426	\$621
Total Private Industry		
Average Employment	4,152	4,236
Average Weekly Wage	\$457	\$638
Government (Federal, State, and Local)		
Average Employment	422	409
Average Weekly Wage	\$548	\$786
Total, Private Industry plus Government		
Average Employment	4,574	4,645
Average Weekly Wage	\$465	\$651

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EDUCATION AND CHILD CARE

Schools students attend: **Littleton operates grades K-12** District: **SAU 35**
 Career Technology Center(s): **Gallen Regional Voc. Center, Littleton; White Mountain Regional High, Whitefield** Region: **03**

Educational Facilities	Elementary	Middle/Junior High	High School	Private/Parochial
Number of Schools	1	1	1	
Grade Levels	K 1-6	7-8	9-12	
Total Enrollment	438	126	279	

NH Licensed Child Care Facilities, 2009: Total Facilities: **11** Total Capacity: **261**

Nearest Community/Technical College: **White Mountains**

Nearest Colleges or Universities: **Granite State College-Littleton**

LARGEST BUSINESSES	PRODUCT/SERVICE	EMPLOYEES	ESTABLISHED
Hitchiner Manufacturing	Metal products	500	1984
Littleton Regional Hospital	Health care services	430	1906
Littleton Coin	Collector coins, mail order	300	1947
Burndy Corporation	Electrical connectors	230	1976
Wal-Mart	Retail store	150	1998
Home Depot	Home improvement center	130	2005
Lowe's	Home improvement center	100	2006
Shaw's Supermarket	Supermarket	75	2000
GenFoot America	Boots	60	

TRANSPORTATION (*distances estimated from city/town hall*)

Road Access	US Routes	302
	State Routes	10, 18, 116, 135
Nearest Interstate, Exit	I-93, Exits 41 - 44	
	Distance	Local access
Railroad		No
Public Transportation		Yes
Nearest Public Use Airport, General Aviation		
Franconia Airport	Runway	2,305 ft. turf
Lighted? No	Navigation Aids?	No
Nearest Airport with Scheduled Service		
Lebanon Municipal	Distance	67 miles
Number of Passenger Airlines Serving Airport		1
Driving distance to select cities:		
Manchester, NH		102 miles
Portland, Maine		112 miles
Boston, Mass.		152 miles
New York City, NY		327 miles
Montreal, Quebec		168 miles

COMMUTING TO WORK(*US Census Bureau*)

Workers 16 years and over	
Drove alone, car/truck/van	74.3%
Carpooled, car/truck/van	11.9%
Public transportation	0.6%
Walked	7.5%
Other means	1.3%
Worked at home	4.3%
Mean Travel Time to Work	17.7 minutes
Percent of Working Residents:	
Working in community of residence	62%
Commuting to another NH community	33%
Commuting out-of-state	5%

RECREATION, ATTRACTIONS, AND EVENTS

X	Municipal Parks
X	YMCA/YWCA
X	Boys Club/Girls Club
	Golf Courses
	Swimming: Indoor Facility
X	Swimming: Outdoor Facility
	Tennis Courts: Indoor Facility
X	Tennis Courts: Outdoor Facility
	Ice Skating Rink: Indoor Facility
	Bowling Facilities
X	Museums
X	Cinemas
X	Performing Arts Facilities
X	Tourist Attractions
X	Youth Organizations (i.e., Scouts, 4-H)
X	Youth Sports: Baseball
X	Youth Sports: Soccer
X	Youth Sports: Football
X	Youth Sports: Basketball
X	Youth Sports: Hockey
X	Campgrounds
X	Fishing/Hunting
X	Boating/Marinas
X	Snowmobile Trails
X	Bicycle Trails
X	Cross Country Skiing
X	Beach or Waterfront Recreation Area
	Overnight or Day Camps
	Nearest Ski Area(s): Cannon Mountain
	Other: Littleton Grist Mill; Littleton Main Street; Moore Reservoir